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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 20, 2007, for which a response is due on February 20, 2007.